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**Box PATENT APPLICATION**  
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New U.S. Non-Provisional Patent Application  
Title: A METHOD FOR MODULATING NOD1 ACTIVITY,  
USE OF A MTP RELATED MOLECULE FOR  
MODULATING NOD1 ACTIVITY, AND THERAPEUTIC  
APPLICATIONS THEREOF  
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Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

Application - 53 pages, including title page and Abstract, 12 independent claims, and 34 claims total.

Drawings - 11 sheets of formal drawings (Figures 1A-D, 2A-F, 3A-E, 4, 5A-C, 6, 7A-B, 8A-D)

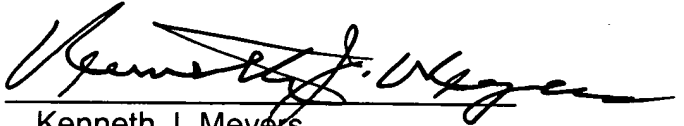
Applicants claim the right to priority based on Provisional Patent Application No. 60/457,572, filed March 27, 2003.

This application is being filed under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(f). Applicants await notification from the Patent and Trademark Office of the time set for filing the Declaration.

Please accord this application a serial number and filing date.

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